

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:431

ANSWERED ON:22.12.2005

MONITORING OF WELFARE SCHEMES

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that welfare schemes implemented by the Ministry have not succeeded in achieving their set targets in the absence of proper monitoring and co-ordination;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d) the shortcomings noticed in the implementation of the schemes during the last three years; and
- (e) the measures taken/to be taken by the Government to rectify those shortcomings?

Answer

MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MEIRA KUMAR)

(a) to (e): The statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED IN PART (a) TO (e) LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.431 FOR 22.12.2005 REGARDING MONITORING OF WELFARE SCHEMES RAISED BY SHRI HARIKEWAL PRASAD AND SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEV.

(a) to (d): The implementation of welfare schemes for development of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes, Other Backward Classes, Minorities, Persons with Disabilities, Street Children, Older Persons, Victims of Alcoholism and Drug Addiction is being monitored periodically. Quarterly performance review of all the schemes was done by the Planning Commission for the last three years and half yearly basis in the current year. Performance review is an ongoing process. The schemes are also evaluated by independent agencies. In the last three years 103 evaluation studies have been sponsored to independent agencies such as Universities Departments, Research Institutes, Voluntary Organisations, Professional Associations working in the field of Social Welfare to obtain feed back for proper implementation of the Scheme.

(e) On the basis of the experiences of the implementation of schemes, feedback and requests received from State Governments, NGOs and beneficiaries the schemes are revised as per requirements. For instance, Post Matric Scholarships for Scheduled Castes, Pre-Matric Scholarships for Children of those engaged in un-clean occupation, National Overseas scholarships for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, Scheme for assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase of Aids and appliances and Deen Dayal Rehabilitation Scheme. Schemes under revision are Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse, Up-gradation of Merit and Scheme for Children in Need of Care and Protection.